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TAGS: PFOR, UN, RQ, TS

SUBJ: UN COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) AND PUERTO RICO: TUNISIA

REF: A) STATE 181798, B) STATE 204729

1. ON AUGUST 18, MISOFF DISCUSSED PUERTO RICO AND THE COMMITTEE OF 24 ALONG THE LINES OF THE AIDE MEMOIRE IN REF A AND PARA 2 OF REF B WITH TUNISIAN MISOFF ABDALLAH.

2. ABDALLAH EMPHASIZED THE GREAT IMPORTANCE TUNISIA ATTACHES TO ITS FRIENDSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES. HE SAID THAT, IN THE EVENT OF A MOTION TO POSTPONE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO, HE THOUGHT TUNISIA WOULD VOTE FOR POSTPONEMENT. HE SAID THAT THE GOT WOULD, HOWEVER, NOT, HE THOUGHT, BE ABLE TO VOTE AGAINST A SUBSTANTIVE RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO BUT WOULD RATHER ABSTAIN OR BE ABSENT. ABDALLAH EXPLAINED THAT IT WAS MORE DIFFICULT TO BE HELPFUL TO US ON MATTERS OF "PRINCIPLE" (SIC). MISOFF EXPLAINED THAT IN THIS INSTANCE, A VOTE ON "PRINCIPLE" WOULD BE ONE AGAINST ANY RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO.

3. ABDALLAH TOLD US TUNISIAN PERMREP DRISS WILL SOON BE REPLACED BY MAHMOUD MESTRI, WHO WILL ARRIVE  
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IN SEPTEMBER.

4. COMMENT: USUN IS NOT AS CONFIDENT IN THIS  
INSTANCE, AS WE HAVE BEEN IN OTHER DEMARCHES ON  
PUERTO RICO AND THE COMMITTEE OF 24, THAT THE  
MESSAGE GOT THROUGH. WE WILL TRY AGAIN WITH  
AMBASSADOR DRISS. END COMMENT.  
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